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To Whom It May Concern:

Cortec Coated Products produces coated papers for various uses and industries, using water based coatings on both recycled and virgin papers. Being green has always been the main business culture.

As part of the overall EMS system, 11 internal audits were performed. Four corrective actions and 3 preventative actions were completed. A list of environmental aspects and significant aspects is maintained and reviewed at least once per year.

Environmental Accomplishments for 2017:

1. Only disposed of 7.98 tons of solid waste in garbage compactor.
2. Reduce discharge from 151,800 gallons to 83850 gallons in 2017.

Goals for 2018:

1. Dispose of less than 7.98 tons of solid waste in garbage compactor during 2018.
2. Have 2% less gallons of industrial waste - from 80,360 gallons to 78,753
3. Reduce recycled scrap by 5% from 141.12 tons to 134.06 tons in 2018

Please find additional information related to DNR Environmental Indicators list below:

- 1.1 Water Use-
 - 1.1.1 145,815 pounds of water were used in batches of products in 2017. This is pounds 69,585 pounds less than the 215,400 pounds used in 2016.
 - 1.1.2 There are minimal/no sources for additional phosphorous to be released into water.
 - 1.1.3 Waste water would include domestic waste, floor washing, overspray of product, obsolete/unusable product.
- 1.2 Air Emissions are minimal and currently no air permit is required.
- 1.3 Solid waste produced includes packaging materials, lunchroom, and off-spec material that cannot be reused.
 - 1.3.1 7.98 tons of garbage was disposed of in 2017, reduced from 8.84 in 2016.
 - 1.3.3 No hazardous materials were disposed.
 - 1.3.4 No mercury was released into the environment.

- 1.3.5 Currently, the following materials are recycled: paper, aluminum cans, cardboard, fiber cores, ink jet cartridges, mercury (from light bulbs, thermometers, etc.), lead batteries if any present, metal (from old equipment, empty aerosol cans, etc.), electronics including computer components. Also, 100% post consumer recycled paper will be used whenever possible, printing on both sides of the page is encouraged.
- 1.4 Energy Use- Plant Building uses heat recovery system to reduce energy.
- 1.6 There were no spills of hazardous substances released to the environment.

Sincerely,

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